

Appl. No. 10/090,103  
Amdt. dated January 21, 2005  
Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 Expedited Procedure  
Examining Group 2812

PATENT

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

This response is to the office action including final rejection mailed September 22, 2004 in the above-referenced application. Claims 1-22 are canceled without prejudice to filing of a continuation application drawn thereto. Claims 23-27 remain pending.

In the office action mailed September 22, 2004, the Examiner indicated claims 23-27 to be allowable. In order to expedite issuance of the claims indicated as allowable, claims 1-22 are canceled hereby without prejudice to filing continuation application(s) directed thereto.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kent J. Tobin', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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